

**NEWS RELEASE**

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**National Night Out community-wide kickoff celebration set for Saturday, September 22, 2012 at Northshore Park**

THE WOODLANDS, TEXAS (September 19, 2012) – Local, state and federal law enforcement and safety agencies will join residents of The Woodlands to celebrate the National Night Out community-wide kickoff celebration at Northshore Park, 2505 Lake Woodlands Drive, on Saturday, September 22, 2012, from 1 to 5 p.m. This free event is coordinated by The Woodlands Township and will include public safety and crime-fighting demonstrations.

The National Night Out community-wide kickoff will be a great event for families, with free food (sponsored by H-E-B), a bounce house, music, face painting, games and much more. Guests will include Puffy Pine Cone, McGruff the Crime Dog, Smokey Bear and Carey Bear from Memorial Herman Hospital. Free parking will be available at Aon Hewitt Associates, across from Northshore Park. Eco Taxi will be available to help shuttle residents to the park entrance.

The official date of National Night Out in Texas is Tuesday, October 2, 2012. This is when residents are encouraged to gather between 5:30 and 8 p.m. on their street or in a nearby park. The purpose of National Night Out is to fight crime by bringing neighbors together, because neighbor knowing neighbor is one of the most effective ways to prevent crime.

Public safety agencies attending National Night Out include:

- Montgomery County Sheriff's Office
- Harris County Sheriff's Office
- Montgomery County Constable Precinct 3
- Harris County Constable Precinct 4
- The Woodlands Fire Department
- Fire Marshal
- Federal Bureau of Investigation
- Drug Enforcement Agency
- Texas Rangers
- Department of Homeland Security and Immigration and Customs Enforcement
- Alpha & Omega Mounted Security Patrol
- Texas Army National Guard
- US Coast Guard Auxiliary
- Montgomery County Juvenile Probation
- Montgomery County Search & Rescue
- Montgomery County Hospital District
- Montgomery County Emergency Communications District 9-1-1
- Texas Equusearch
- DWI Tracker
- Texas Alcohol Beverage Commission
- The Woodlands Community Emergency Response Team
- Crime Stoppers



Other agencies include:

- American Red Cross
- Operation Lifesaver
- Montgomery County Sheriff's Office
- Citizens Academy Alumni
- Interfaith of the Woodlands
- Montgomery County Women's Center
- Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW)
- American Legion Post 305
- YMCA
- National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)
- Forestry Service
- South East Texas Poison Control
- Friends of Texas Wildlife

Visit the Township Web site at [www.thewoodlandstownship-tx.gov/nationalnightout](http://www.thewoodlandstownship-tx.gov/nationalnightout) for details about other National Night Out events and activities including making a public safety thank you poster and collecting food and clothing to benefit Interfaith of The Woodlands. Contact your village liaison at 281-210-3800 for more information.

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